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### To the Editor:

**Re** "Philadelphia School Battles Students' Bad Eating Habits, on Campus and Off" (news article, March 28):

There is good reason for parents in North Philadelphia to stand guard at corner stores discouraging kids from buying their favorite junk foods. Nothing less than our national security is at stake. America's military strength 7 its young people. Unfortunately, one in four young adults nationwide is too overweight to join the military. In many ways, our nation is becoming too fat to defend itself. This is why more than 200 retired admirals and generals, including me, strongly supported new federal child nutrition legislation, passed last December, aimed at getting junk food out of our schools and improving the nutritional quality of foods served to students.

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